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Federal Election Commission
Washington, D.C.

Re: Amended April Quarterly Report
(2/19/04 - 3/31/04)
Doggett for U.S. Congress
ID #: Coo286500.

Dear Ms. Liljeroot:

This letter is written in response to your letter dated June 1, 2004, concerning the April Quarterly Report filed with the FEC by Doggett for U.S. Congress (the "Doggett Campaign"). This letter is submitted as part of the Doggett Campaign's Amended April Quarterly Report (2/19/04 - 3/31/04) ("Amended Report"), which is being electronically filed on this same date.

In this regard, please consider the following responses to the five (5) issues raised in your letter:

1. Best Efforts to Obtain Employer/Occupation Information.

The Center for Responsive Politics, a non-partisan, non-profit research group that tracks contributions in elections, rates the "quality of disclosure" for occupation and employer of congressional campaigns. The Doggett Campaign has a 94% compliance rating, while his general election opponent earned only a 22% rating. The Doggett Campaign is using its best efforts to earn a 100% rating. Toward that end, the Amended Report includes additional information.

Prior to submitting the April report, the Doggett Campaign e-mailed contributors in an attempt to get the information. In addition, phone calls and internet searches were conducted to provide the missing information. During the last few weeks of the campaign, we received an unprecedented number of small contributions, which posed a substantial challenge the the campaign staff. In the end, we provided all required information for all but a handful of our contributors. Despite our best efforts, not all information could be completed.

2. 48-Hour Notice Period.

The Doggett Campaign made nine separate 48-hour filings during the subject reporting period covering 52 contributions of \$1000 or more. Of these 52 contributions, you letter references two contributions. After reviewing our records, one check was incorrectly recorded on the date written on the check instead of the date receipt, which occurred after the primary election. The correct date has been noted in the amended report. The other check, although this cannot be confirmed, may have been received within the 48-hour period.

To ensure that the Doggett Campaign maintains its history of tightly tracking and reporting contributions that are subject to the 48-hour rule, internal procedures have been implemented within the campaign underscoring the proper procedure.

3. Itemized Disbursements with No Address.
